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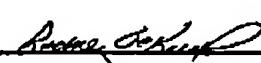
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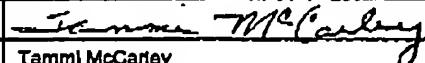
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 14, 2006.

Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I, Claims 1-13 for examination. Applicant

reserves the right to file a divisional application for the non-elected claims (Group II, Claims 14-20; Group III, Claims 21-32; and Group IV, Claims 33-39).

Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner believe that the prosecution of the application could be so expedited, he is requested to call Applicant's undersigned Attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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